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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force to Study the Dynamics of Elderly and Retiree Migration into and**
3 **out of Maryland**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing a Task Force to Study the Dynamics of Elderly and
5 Retiree Migration into and out of Maryland; establishing the membership of the
6 Task Force; requiring the Governor to attempt to ensure regional, ethnic,
7 economic, and gender diversity on the Task Force; providing staff support for the
8 Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain
9 compensation; authorizing a member of the Task Force to be reimbursed for
10 certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to oversee and assist in preparing a
11 certain study; requiring the study of the Task Force to contain a certain review,
12 a certain assessment, and certain examinations; requiring the members of the
13 Task Force to be appointed by a certain date; requiring the Task Force to issue
14 a report of the study's findings and recommendations by a certain date;
15 providing for the termination of the Task Force; and generally relating to the
16 Task Force to Study the Dynamics of Elderly and Retiree Migration into and out
17 of Maryland.

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
19 MARYLAND, That:

20 (a) There is a Task Force to Study the Dynamics of Elderly and Retiree
21 Migration into and out of Maryland.

22 (b) The Task Force shall be composed of 16 members as follows:

23 (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of
24 the Senate;

25 (2) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of
26 the House;

27 (3) the Secretary of Aging, or the Secretary's designee;

1 (4) the Secretary of Business and Economic Development, or the
2 Secretary's designee;

3 (5) the Secretary of Planning, or the Secretary's designee;

4 (6) the Executive Director of the Rural Maryland Council, or the
5 Executive Director's designee;

6 (7) one representative from the Maryland Association of Counties,
7 appointed by the Governor;

8 (8) one representative from a Maryland chapter of the National
9 Association of Retired Federal Employees, appointed by the Governor;

10 (9) one representative of AARP, formerly known as the American
11 Association of Retired Persons, appointed by the Governor;

12 (10) one representative of the Maryland Gerontological Association,
13 appointed by the Governor;

14 (11) one representative of the health care industry with expertise in
15 senior health issues, appointed by the Governor;

16 (12) one representative of the housing industry with expertise in senior
17 housing and retirement community issues, appointed by the Governor;

18 (13) one representative of the Center on Aging, University of Maryland
19 College Park, appointed by the Governor;

20 (14) one representative of the Maryland Institute for Policy Analysis and
21 Research, University of Maryland Baltimore County, appointed by the Governor;

22 (15) one representative of Loyola College in Maryland, appointed by the
23 Governor; and

24 (16) one representative of the Regional Economic Studies Institute,
25 Towson University, appointed by the Governor.

26 (c) To the extent practicable, the Governor shall attempt to ensure regional,
27 ethnic, economic, and gender diversity on the Task Force.

28 (d) The University System of Maryland shall provide staff support to the Task
29 Force.

30 (e) A member of the Task Force may not receive compensation for serving on
31 the Task Force, but is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard
32 State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

33 (f) (1) The Task Force shall oversee and assist in preparing a
34 comprehensive and objective study to be conducted by the Maryland Institute for

1 Governmental Service, the Maryland Institute for Policy Analysis and Research,
2 Loyola College in Maryland, and the Regional Economic Studies Institute.

3 (2) The study shall:

4 (i) review the dynamics of elderly and retiree migration into and
5 out of the State;

6 (ii) assess the impact, if any, that the tax policies and benefits of
7 the State and other states have on elderly and retiree migration including:

8 1. a comparison of the total tax burden in the State on the
9 elderly and retirees as compared to other states; and

10 2. a comparison of the total tax burden in the State on the
11 elderly and retirees as a percentage of personal income as compared to other states;

12 (iii) examine the benefits that the elderly and retirees provide to the
13 local community and the State by participating in mentoring or volunteer programs
14 or similar community activities; and

15 (iv) examine State expenditures on the elderly and retirees
16 including health care expenditures.

17 (g) The Task Force shall:

18 (1) be appointed and organize and begin its deliberations no later than
19 July 1, 2004; and

20 (2) submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor
21 and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General
22 Assembly before December 31, 2004.

23 (h) The Task Force shall terminate on December 31, 2004.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
25 June 1, 2004.